



Posted: 04/01/10 NF

CANNON BUILDING
861 SILVER LAKE BLVD., SUITE 203
DOVER, DELAWARE 19904-2467

STATE OF DELAWARE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TELEPHONE: (302) 744-4500
FAX: (302) 739-2711
WEBSITE: WWW.DPR.DELAWARE.GOV

DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	Board of Dietetics and Nutrition
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Friday, November 13, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room B , first floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	March 26, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sharon Collison, L.D.N., President
Mary Trotter, L.D.N., Vice President
Elizabeth Tschiffely, L.D.N, Secretary
Patricia Hawkins, Public Member
Christy Vanderwende, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL/COURT REPORTER PRESENT

Catherine Hickey, Deputy Attorney General
Nancy Fields, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Deborah Forney
Kristen Darby

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Collison called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes for the August 7, 2009 meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Hawkins, seconded by Ms. Tschiffely, to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Trotter abstained. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PTD Hearing for Kristen Darby

Ms. Hickey stated that the purpose of the hearing was to give Ms. Darby the opportunity to give additional details to the Board as to why her license was disciplined in Pennsylvania. The Board had proposed to deny her application for licensure as a Dietitian/Nutritionist on the basis that she was in violation of Del Code section § 3806 c (3). The Board was introduced.

Ms. Darby was present and was sworn in. Ms. Darby testified that she accidentally let her PA license lapse and after realizing it, she renewed her license. A complaint was made by the PA Board of unlicensed practice and she was issued a fine. She paid the fine and received her license back and has had no further issues since this happened.

The Board went off the record for deliberations.

After deliberations, the Board went back on the record.

A motion was made by Ms. Collison, seconded by Ms. Hawkins, to approve Ms. Darby for licensure. The motion unanimously carried.

PTD Hearing for John Bilas, D.C.

Ms. Hickey stated that the purpose of the continuance hearing was to give Dr. Bilas an additional opportunity to establish that he meets the statutory educational requirements for certification. The Board had proposed to deny his application for certification as a Dietitian/Nutritionist on the basis that the educational requirements were not met. The Board was introduced. Although given notice, Dr. Bilas was not present and did not contact the Board office or provide any further information as requested by the Board. Ms. Fields testified under oath that she sent certified hearing notices and emails to Dr. Bilas and that she had not received any additional documentation from him.

The Board went off the record for deliberations.

After deliberations, the Board went back on the record.

A motion was made by Ms. Collison to deny the application due to not providing proof of meeting the adequate educational requirements for licensure as a Dietitian or Nutritionist in Delaware.

NEW BUSINESS

Application Review

The Board reviewed the application for Christopher Collins. A motion was made by Ms. Collison, seconded by Ms. Tschiffely, to approve his application by exam and allow him to take the Board approved exam as soon as it is available for applicants. The motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Tschiffely, seconded by Ms. Vanderwende, to approve the application review for Donald Feeney. The motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Licensure

A motion was made by Ms. Tschiffely, seconded by Ms. Hawkins, to ratify the following CDR applicants who had been granted licenses by the Division of Professional Regulations: Mary Stroh, Frank Davis, Melissa E. Wade, Karen Lenhoff, Elizabeth A. Schwenk, Catherine Jennings, Antoinette Rucinski-Westerbaan, Donna L. DeLuca, Kristine M. Brook. The motion unanimously carried.

Post Renewal Audits

The Board reviewed all of the post renewal audits that were received. The licensees whose audits were delinquent will get letters.

Correspondence

The Board received a copy of the new Code of Ethics from the American Dietetic Association.

Other Business Before the Committee (for discussion only)

There was no other business before the board.

Public Comment

None

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday, February 12, 2010 at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Collison, seconded by Ms. Tschiffely, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy L. Fields".

Nancy L. Fields
Administrative Specialist II